

STIN LETTER.

Secretary Baker's Re-
free School Problem.

Day at the Capital—The
city Plug Hats.

Travel—The Fine Italian
President Arthur.

Success of the Gazette.

December 31.—It is under-
standable that the board of
education will be recom-
mended to the city council.

The necessity for such
action is self-evident. The
board of education is the
only body that can be re-
sponsible for the educa-
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THE SOCIAL WORLD.

Glimpses of the Bright and Sunny Side
of Human Life.

Cheerful Chat About Home Life and
Society Circles.

Minneapolis.

Leaving an excellent quota of theat-
rical amusement out of consideration,
it does seem that "chill Novem-
ber's surly blast" had blasted every
chance and anticipation of social pleas-
ures that are expected with the advent
of winter. Long evenings we lose in
dreary loneliness, and in melancholy
solitude appear our evening hours
for pleasure's sweets by recollections of
happy golden hours whose radiant
and enchanting glamour seemed to
loom in the distance forever
clouded by social apathy and ennui.
Two hops this week and a ball shortly
after Christmas are so far off that
in prospect to interrupt this reign
of dullness and abnormal lethargy in
our society circles. In fact disappoint-
ment reigns supreme, and the sad-
dening truth which it has left in the
consciousness of many are not easily
dismissible. Those of our young gen-
eration, for instance, who proudly
rejoice in the laurels which their
manly charms had won then in the
past, made haste too slowly two weeks
ago in securing company for the the-
ater, were sadly disappointed, and
disappointment will be the lot
of those to-morrow night, who will
discover that they should have made
engagements for the winter weeks
ago, and the young man, who, blessed
as he is at times with a lack of self-
confidence, failed to see a certain young lady
church on last Sunday evening, has
even at this moment not recovered
from the tortures which the pang of
disappointment have inflicted upon him.

The prettiest young lady of this city
is at present busily at work on a dainty
and magnificent belt, that will lay
O'Leary's in the shade of insignif-
icance, to present it to a certain young
gentleman, the champion pedestrian,
and it is to be hoped that this impor-
tant lesson, that society should not
be the fair one in their charge by too
rapid walking, but zealously endeavor
to utilize every opportunity of holding
"converse with nature's charms and
view her stores unrolled."

Under the caption of "Disappoint-
ment," I should have mentioned the
fact that two of Fort Worth's fairest
bellees intended to delight two
Minneapolis friends by an el-
egant surprise in the shape
of a richly embroidered bouquet.
What a pity that a premature frost
snipped them the flowers in the bud!
Under the circumstances we must
take the will for the deed, trusting
that the young ladies' friendship, un-
like the flowers, will not be at the
mercy and caprice of the season, but
ever bloom and blossom with re-
doubled fragrance.

A day or so ago a busy bee while out
on her early morning errand of gather-
ing sweetness from the favored few
flowers which the frost has spared,
alighted on a flower, and, to her sur-
prise, not she was looking for the
quintessence of sweetness and chose
the eye of the prettiest young lady of
this city. The unfortunate victim of
the honey-catcher's sting is slightly
disfigured, but still in the pink.

The A. B. S. had a splendid time at
their reunion on Tuesday night. The
young ladies had prepared an elegant
collation and the raucous of the club were
augmented by the acquisition of two
new members.

Miss Lillian has it that one of our
most popular young ladies will be led
to the altar by a young gentleman
who is a stranger in this city.

Lillian Brown's Jollities played to
appreciative audiences on Monday
and Tuesday night.

Miss Mattie and Laura Copeland
of Smith county are visiting Mrs.
Lankford.

Misses Belle and Laura Fielder of
Smith county are the guests of Miss
Laura Spaulding.

Miss Jimmie Haines of Quitman
was in the city Thursday, visiting
friends.

Delegations from Longview, Tyler
and Wills Point, and from the im-
mediate vicinity of Minersville, are
expected to see Frederick Ward in "Da-
vid and Goliath" on Friday night,
and "Richelieu" on Saturday.

Pilot Point.

Mrs. Ada Crittenden, who has been
visiting in town for some time, left
for home in Russell county Thurs-
day evening.

Misses Willie and Lula McGee of
Ansony were in the city the early part
of the week, visiting and shopping.

Mr. Charles Gibbs, a prominent citi-
zen of Greenville, Ill., is in town, the
guest of Mr. Dan Kennell.

Wednesday evening, at the M. E.
church, in the presence of a large as-
semblage, Miss Susan Dowdell and
Mr. Rufus T. Thomas were united in
marriage. Rev. Dr. Johnson recy-
peated the ceremony in a very im-
pressive manner, at the conclusion of
which they departed for the home of
the bride, three miles from town.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell Turner of
Gainesville have been in town visiting
during the week.

Misses Laura Cook and Sallie Chan-
dler attended the council of the
Knights and Ladies of Honor at Fort
Worth this week.

Mr. Sam Clark, who with his family
remained one year ago to Arkansas,
returned Thursday to this city and com-
menced his duties as a traveling agent
for a host of friends.

Rev. W. G. Conner, the new pastor
of the M. E. church, left last Monday
for Terrell to remove his family to this
city. They will arrive here next
week.

Col. M. M. Slaughter commences
Monday a four months' term of school
in the Bonar community, southeast of
town.

Morgan.

Mrs. H. W. Riggs, an estimable
lady who lived near here, died on the
night of the 27th inst.

Prof. H. V. Allen has resigned the
position of principal of our school, and
Prof. Wilson now presides.

Col. S. E. Nichols of Galveston spent
yesterday with his family at this place.
Wallace Brock of Hillsboro have
come into the furniture business at
this place.

The Ladies Aid society will give a
festival at the Baptist church next
Thursday night, the proceeds of which
will be donated to repair that build-
ing.

Misses W. C. Smith and W. A.
Rives have built neat residences in
town.

Mr. Todd, Donnell and family, of
Columbus, Mo., have located in Mor-
gan. We like to see our town gain the
citizenship of such intelligent and re-
sponsible families.

Miss Emma Hawkins of this place
is teaching a school at Live Oak, ten
miles in this county.

Mr. W. A. Fielder of the Meridian
Blade has come to Washington city to
spend the winter.



Jefferson.

The entertainment given by the
Young Ladies' Cooking club society
of this city, of which mention was
made in our last report, was a success
in all respects. The ladies present were
Misses: Miss Fannie Brown, presi-
dent; Miss Murphy Smith, vice-presi-
dent; Miss Jennie Lane, secretary;
Miss Carrie Brown and Miss Lila
Perry. Members—Miss Fannie Zach-
ary, Miss Maggie Ross, Miss Gladys
Preston, Miss Clara Zachary, Miss
Maggie Harper, Miss Rosalie Lane,
Miss Sallie Ward, Miss Josie Merz-
bacher, Miss Louise Hulse, Miss Fannie
Preston, Miss Louise Fish of
Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Miss Addie
Lyons, Miss Sarah Lyburne, Miss Jan-
nie Lyons, Miss Eugenia Rowell and
Miss Lila More.

Misses Addie Terry and Jennie
Lyons have returned from a very
pleasant and enjoyable visit to
Shreveport, where the popular and
charming young ladies have spent
some two weeks.

Mr. Louis J. Wortham, our very
much-liked and highly esteemed ed-
itor of the Wide-Awake, visited Pitts-
burg last week.

Mr. M. H. H. of New York was in
the city Tuesday last. He left for the
city to attend a wedding which was
to take place there Thursday evening.

Mr. W. R. Kirkland, who has been
spending some days in our city, re-
turned home last week. The gentle-
man informs us that he bought some
property up there, and will soon make
Fort Worth his future home. We re-
joice to see Mr. Kirkland from our
community.

As an invigorant, Hostetter's
Stomach Bitters is a most valuable
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stomach and bowels, and has
long been a household name.
It is a most reliable and
effective remedy for all
dyspepsia, indigestion, and
all other ailments of the
stomach and bowels.

Dr. Loughery of the Shreveport
Standard was in town last week.

Mr. W. T. F. Morgan visited your
summit last week.

"Gibber Bros." "Humpty Dumpty"
will give a performance this
(Saturday) evening at Taylor's opera
house. The Gazette's "credentials"
pass "free" all the time.

We extend thanks to Captain A. B.
Smith for a kind invitation to attend a
brilliant social gathering which took
place the other evening at the captain's
elegant residence; but regret to have
been unable to participate in it.

Major Geo. R. Beard, who has been
sick for some six weeks, is all right
again. We are glad to shake hands
with the pleasant and esteemed old
gentleman.

Col. Harrison and lady have reached
home from a trip through Texas.

On Monday evening, November
26th, a famous representative of
L. & H. Blum of Galveston, Mr. A. R.
Lipitate, tendered a grand party to
the members of C. L. S. club, at the
residence of Mrs. S. H. Perry. The
pleasure seekers enjoyed themselves
until about 10 o'clock, when supper
was announced. Then the guests re-
paired to the dining room and did full
justice to the elegant supper. Songs,
jokes, etc. were given in rapid suc-
cession, and mirth and revelry reigned
supreme during the entire evening.
The instrumental music by
Misses Ida Rogers, Louise Hulse and
Mr. A. R. Lipitate was received with
thunders of applause. It was a success
in making everybody feel happy. The
ladies present were: Misses Lila More,
Sallie Ward, Leila Perry, Murphy Smith,
Maggie Ross, Ida Rogers, Carrie
Brown, Louise Hulse and Ester Rosen-
thal; also Col. E. W. Taylor and lady,
Capt. Woodworth and lady, Cap-
tain G. T. Todd and lady.

Captain A. B. Smith and lady, Cap-
tain Claiborne and lady, Dr. A. P.
Brown and lady, Mr. Frank Perry and
lady, Mr. D. B. Boies and lady and
many others comprising the circle of
the evening. The affair throughout
was a thorough social success; the guests
were all well pleased with the en-
tertaining, and an ardent de-
sire was unanimously expressed for
the city.

Col. B. B. Smith and lady have returned
from New York.

A grand hop was given by the
"Gibber" Thursday evening, at the
residence of Capt. A. B. Smith, on
which occasion many happy and gay
hours were spent by all who were
present. Mrs. A. B. Smith is "the
queen of hostesses."

Gilmer.

Misses Lillie Rosen and Leila Rogers
returned from Mt. Pleasant Monday
evening, after a pleasant visit. Your
correspondent happily joined the young
ladies at Pittsburg.

P. N. Jamison, former depot agent of
this place, spent a few days with
friends in Gilmer. He goes to the
southern end of the road.

We are delighted to meet in the
social circle again Miss Lila Harrison.
She is the guest of Miss Nona Goodrich.
May her stay be long and pleasant.

Christmas is coming and society is
putting on its nuptial garments. Yes,
last Sabbath was celebrated by the
first marriage of the season. The
bride and groom were Miss Fannie
Walker were united as one.
May their days be full of the sweetest
of life.

A forenoon of Christmas merriment,
or first introduction of the holidays,
was given by a necktie party,
given by the young ladies under the

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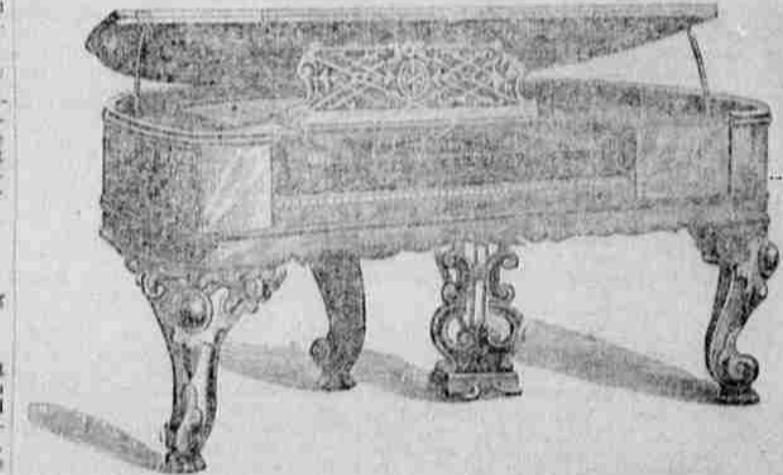
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in the United States or Europe. Come and judge for yourselves.

hundred and twenty-five bales of cot-
ton were received here yesterday. Up
to this date 4,000 bales have been re-
ceived, and it still continues to pour
in at the rate of about one hundred
bales per day.

Two new brick stores will be built
on the north side of Main street in the
near future. The demand for resi-
dences cannot be supplied. Property
owners should build more houses. A
great many persons go elsewhere to
live simply because they can't get a
house to live in here. With a bank
and a cotton compress, Whitesboro
would at once step to the front rank
as a cotton market.

The most recent arrival is Mr. S. D.
Jambon from Mt. Hope, Ala., who
has decided to make his home with
us. He is a sober, industrious and in-
telligent young man, and we wish all
a hearty welcome.

Prof. R. H. Randall of Chicago has
organized a class of music, and has one
hundred pupils.

BOSQUE COUNTY.

A Hatch of Minor Local Bravities from
Morgan.

Correspondence of the Gazette.

Morgan, November 29.—While the
section hands were improving the
spring at Walnut last week they dug
up the skeleton of a man.

The public roads coming into this
place have been very much improved
of late by Mr. J. W. Tamm.

Hall's "New World" show will be
at Morgan on the 31st of December. A
large crowd will be here to see the
lights.

Governor Ireland.

Those papers that have condemned
Gov. Ireland for his prompt proclamation
in the case of the late rebellion, have
been the first to condemn him unreservedly
for his prompt action in the case of